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BERNARD L. BARKER and Eugenio R. Martinez, two of the five men initially arrested at the Watergate break-in, are the subject of a book to come from Harper's Magazine Press next summer.

It's being written by George Crile, an investigative reporter and contributing editor to Harper's Magazine, who will concentrate on the two Cubans' careers from their first involvement in hot and cold-war violence through Watergate.

Crile is getting an assist from Taylor Branch, the Washington editor of Harper's Magazine, who will concentrate on Barker while Crile interviews Martinez.

Both Barker and Martinez were former CIA agents and according to Lawrence Freundlich, editor-in-chief of Harper's Magazine Press, the book will escape being enjoined from publication

because it's not going to be a first-person story by Barker and Martinez. "I hope it has the same authority, though, as if they had written it themselves," added Freundlich.

He said that the reason he wants to publish this book is because he feels that "the notion of political espionage and violence—developed during the cold war with enemies who had nothing to do with America—has been imported to this country. And instead of our seeing it as an abrogation of the things that America is supposed to stand for at its best, a lot of people are looking at it as the loyal and right thing to do. Martinez and Barker take part in that mentality."

The project began when Crile was preparing the articles on Barker and Martinez which appear in this month's Harper's.

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